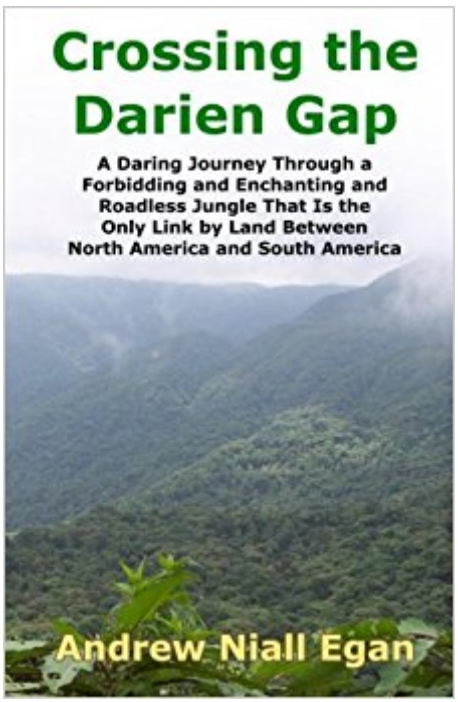
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Synopsis

If you ever plan to travel between North America and South America, you must consider that there is no road. Ten hours southeast of the Panama Canal, the Pan-American Highway penetrates the jungle, shrivels into a footpath and dies. The highway resurrects in Colombia, another continent. But the land between the two countries is a vast and primitive realm. On a map the two ends of the highway appear as two slivers of life, separated by the unknown. Filling this void is a rugged wilderness known as the Darien Rainforest. Because the Darien hinders all contact by land between North America and South America, it has earned the name "the Darien Gap." Yet most travelers never encounter the Darien Gap. When they go to South America they fly or perhaps take a boat. I decided to cross the Darien overland, traversing from Panama to Colombia by foot and riverboat.

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Andrew Niall Egan has explored isolated Canadian forests, endured Central American jungles, and survived African war zones. Born in 1970 in Dublin, Ireland, he grew up in Toronto, Canada. Andrew has diplomas in radio and television broadcasting and print journalism. He has worked as a newspaper features writer, a television reporter and a book publisher. After traveling on a sailboat for a year, he settled in Florida. He is now a real estate broker and manager of a real estate investment company.

Really enjoyed reading about Andrews adventure! I went into the book with little knowledge about the Darien Gap and was transported into the depths of Panama and Colombia through his writings!

Really enjoyed learning about some of the indigenous tribes and people he met along the way! Highly recommend this to anyone who enjoys travel reads or is interested in Central / South America!

Really good read. Enjoyable. The only minor complaint is the lack of pictures.I would be fascinated to read a "Back to Darien Gap" book should the author brave doing a return trip in 2015-2016.

Fery good book for anyone wanting to know about this remote area. Author is a true 'adventurer' and writes clearly. though not a 'gifted' writer, he tells the story in an engaging manner.,

It is a good descriptive account at the time of his journey

I loved the adventure part of this book about an unknown part of the Americas. It is the next best thing than being there.

Great book and left me longing for more.

Found this while searching for central america. This guy is no Hemingway but gets the point across as to what you will encounter should you decide to visit that part of the world. I just might. He seems to have taken his notes and published those. The could use a good editor. But nearly all books can, nowadays. Bit perplexed by the review from someone who hasn't even finished the book. Maybe next time read the synopsis so you know what you're getting. That's what i did and found exactly what i was looking for. Would suggest the same for anyone even slightly interested in exploring the darien gap. Great book? No. Good book? Definitely.

In 1989 at the age of eighteen, and written nearly twenty years later, Andrew Egan ventured into Central America with a goal of traveling through the hostile, ominous Darien Gap which few others have achieved.He did what he set out to do and we hear his modest story.Living amongst indigenous tribes; individuals he meets along the trails and rivers; typical disorientations, humidity and bugs that go along with jungle travel, etc. this was a major accomplishment.Although written a little too simple for my taste, nonetheless an agreeable read through the unforgiving rainforest of the Darien.

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